# BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR COMING YEAR

Prominent Business Men Declare That Present Season of Prosperity Will Continue.

## **GREAT AGRICULTURAL WEALTH**

Development of South One of Most Notable Features of Industrial Situation.

that will the year 1905 bring to the people of the United States in the people of the United States in the way of material prospering or adversity? The past year mas been one of uncertainty, sinking at times to depression, in the business and financial world. Is the coming year to be a repetition of the earlier months of 1904, or will the improved conditions which have characterized its close continue? In order to discover the outlook from the standpoints of the men who are in a position to observe industrial and financial events, Public Opinion has written to a number of

On the Eve of Great Prosperity. The reply of Mr. Henry Claws, the prominent New York banker, is filled with confidence that "we are on the eve of a great business movement which will insure general prosperity during the

yond doubt that capital and labor both feel certain that the party in power is worthy of trust and confidence, and new enterprises will be launched and old ones will be willing to take greater risks. The steel and iron interests are particularly liopeful and the building trade gives promise of great activity. Our farmers and cotton growers are prosperous, and will spend their surplus for some luxuries and needed machinery, will paint their fences and barns and make visits to the theatro and circus. These matters seem triffing, but go to make up the extra business which insures, profit to general trade, as it keeps dollars moving. Lake it all in all, I believe in my country and its people, and can foresee great activity in all branches up to the next cropy year at least.

## Agriculture the Basis of Pros-

The agricultural wealth of the country as shown in the great crops of recent years gives Mr. George McReynolds, the acting president of the Chicago Board of Trade, hope for the futura, he says:

The crops of the country constitute the basis of our financial and commercial hasis of our financial and commercial welfare. Those of 1901 are unprecedented both in volume and farm value. From the able report of the Department of Agriculture we learn that the crop of corn aggregates 2.400,000,000 bushels, equal in value to that of hay and wheat combined; the crop of wheat aggregates 550,000,000 bushels, and although this is less than that of any year since 1900, its farm value is the highest since 1881; save in 1902, the out crop was never so large by \$60,000,000 bushels; potatoes and barley reached their highest production in 1901. The secretary states that farmers' hens

such a magnificent showing as

Occ., 600,000. Now our farms are yielding over \$5,000,000.000, and our mines and factories about \$15,000,000.000, at total of \$20,000,000.000 a year. Thus the output of our farms, mines and mills is annually expeeding by about \$7,000,000,000 (their output fourteen years ago. In the volume of railroad traffic and in general business activities the same great advance is seen. The increase of population, which avarages an applied the emergency brake, bringing in the fraction of the baggage car proke in business development, but the volume of trade and the value of our annual agreemble among the fraction of the baggage car proke in business development, but the volume of trade and the value of our annual agreemble among the fraction of the baggage car proke in business development, but the volume of trade and the value of our annual agreemble among the fraction of the baggage car proke in business development, but the volume of trade and the value of our annual agreemble and an all sixtenth—Formation, fluid are the filled that the fill in the fill of the standard of the class and one-half furlongs—filled the emergency brake, bringing the fill speed, when the train was rearried but two some unaccountable manner. The bagge man noticed his car weak fill speed, when what had happer ulation.

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## There Never Was Such an Auspicious Time

to enter the business of life nasurance as how. It was never so
prosperous, never so popular.
Chairs of insurance are boing established in various universities;
many college men are enterling the
business immediately after graduating; wealthy men are securing
assurance in large amounts; and
life nasurance is regarded as a
pecssity by all.
The man or woman, who takes advaniage of this era of prosperity
end starts in the business of life
assurance now, is going to receive
pecuniary returns commensurate,
with the efforts put forth.
This will be especially the case if
working under the renewal contract of the Equitable, which not
only provides immediate returns,
but builds up an income for future
years.
Men or women of energy and

## H. SWIMEFORD & SON.

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a little too fast, that wild speculation may again take possession of the stock market and result in a speculative collapse, but if we can restrain the wild speculator, alike the wild Socialist, and both ought to be possible, the people of the country have it in their power to maintain a long period of abounding prosperity in which this country will become even more than in the past the wonder and admiration of the business world.

Ongress an Uncertain Factor.

Mr. F. D. Bright, president and general
manager of the Railway World, does not
helieve that there has been any serious
interruption of the period of prosperity
which began in 1808:

Occasionally, instances have been encountered during the past two years
where individual industries were temporarily and locally depressed, in particular, the iron and sieel industry. The
railroads have also suffered some reduction in earnings and traffic, although the Rosevelt—confidence which has produced practical unanimity, in all sections of the land, favoring industrial activity—we may reasonably anticipate that the record of the year 1900 will prove most gratifying.

As the Secretary of the Treasury

Sees It.

In reply to the request for a forecast of 1906, Secretary Shaw refused to add anything to bis recent speech before the New York Chamber of Commerce in which he said:

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Philing Up Our National Wealth. The rapid development of our material resources and the increase in our population with a constructive of the United States.

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# ISEEK HOMES IN SOUTHERN STATES

Great Tide of Immigration to This Section Feature of Present Industrial Conditions.

WORK OF ADVERTISING VA.

New Settlers Write to Former Neighbors, Advising Them to Come Here.

(Special to The Titoes-Dispatch.)

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BAL/FIMORE, MD., Dec. 21.—In the
midst of the business of carrying wouldbe homesockers to desirable localities and
of locating settlers, a number of the inor locating settlers, a number of the in-dustrial and immigration agents of South-ern railreads have ern railroads have found time to contri-bute to this week's issue of the Manuneer in this work is the Southern Rail-way, which is experiencing the cumula-tive effect of coteries of satisfied southers

farms; of a German colony in Mississippi and a Swedish colony in Louisiana.

Advertising Virginia.

Persistent work has been done in advertising Virginia in other Statos, had Mr. P. H. La Baure of the Norfolk and Western Rollway notes a steady increase in the number of homeseckers, 49 or 50 per cent, of whom have purchased farms and nearly all the others have declared their purpose to come to Virginia as soon as they can dispose to their holdings in the North. The sottlers, too, have written to their former neighbors advising them to sell out and come to Virginia, and these voluntary missionary labors are expected to bear fich fruit Mr. Frank Y. Anderson, of the Alabama Great Southern Railroad, reports that in addition to locating several companies to congage in coal mining and lumbering, he has sold farm lands to 188 families and has fere to raise a crop and test the sell and imparimate before purchasing. The Price system according to the estimate of Alv. S. H. Hughes, has carried into the Southwest \$132 homeseckers, and has located, as a result of the

The Manufacturers' Record presents in his week's issue the results of a carefu-review of railroad construction complete turing the year 1901 in the South, toget or vith Missouri, Indian Territory and Okwith Missouri, Indian Territory and Ok. Iahoma. It shows that since January Ist last there were built 24207 miles of line, and that about 46503 miles will probably be built during 1906 in these States and Territories. In this estimate there are not included any figures for new corporations which have not begun construction, not withstanding that in some instances contracts have been awarded. Only a small amount of electric railway is noted, consideration being made only of mileage which will perform service for both passengers and freight, as do steam road. This covers but 375 miles for 1905.

The following table shows the amount of line built in 1904 and the new line projected for 1905 in each State and Territory covered by the review:

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In 1904.   State and Territorios:   Alabama	buill	87.5 372 351 490.5 487 55.8 219, 65 221.5 80 243.1 100 70
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Total		4050.3

## Racing at New Orleans.

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(By Associated Fress.)

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for cash. It's worth investigating.

# MRS. CHADWICK GINNERS REFUSE TO PLEAD INSANITY

Visit of Alienist to Jail Supposed to Indicate Line of

### SENDS MESSAGE TO HUSBAND

Loss of Time and Money" and Go Straight to Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 29.—P. D. Quis-ley, law partner of J. P. Dawley, counsel for the arrest of Mrs. Chadwick in the event of her release on ball by the gov

delivered immediately upon the doctor's arrival from Europe:

"Come to Cleveland with Sheriff Barry immediately. Do not fight extradition and avoid loss of time and money.

(Signed) "CABSIB L CHADWICK."

Dr. C, J. Aldrich, an allenist, called upon Mrs. Chadwick at the county fall to-day and had a conference with her. Dr. Aldrich has been called as an expert in a number of criminal cases hero-

thorough study of her mental charac

## SOUTHERN POSTMASTERS.

the Republican Machine.

## THE MAYOR CAUGHT.

Fined for Not Cleaning Snow Off His Sidewalk.

eolal to The Times-Dispatch.) CHESTER, VA., Dec. 29.—Mayor Baker, who is also a mem-II. H. Baker, who is also a mem-ber of Governor Montague's staff, has paid a fine of one dollar for falling to remove loce and sleet from his sidewalk or otherwise providing for the safety of pedestrians. Fifty other prominent cli-zens will probably be warranted, mak-ing 150 with those who were arrested has week for a similar offense. The joke on the Mayor is that he promulgated an ordi-nance to compel negligent clizens to re-move snow from their sidewalks, and di-rected the officers to vigorously enforce it.

Tragedy in Home of Georgia Man.

Real Estate in the city of Richmond or a large farm. Am retiring from business and wish to trade as part payment a good established rotail business on Broad Street; making money and capable of large increase. This is a good chance to put your son in business or go into business yourself. I will sell this business Address

Richmond, Va

ously Defending Work of the Bureau.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, December 20.—Dire

of the Census North, in a letter to Rep-

resentative Burleson, of Texas, made

expressed his surprise and concern at the recent alleged movement in the

Southern States, "apparently approved

and augmented by the cotton growers themselves," to destroy the census re-

ports by concerted refusal of the ginners

to make returns. Director North asserts

that a continuance of the cotton sinning reports is impossible without the sympa-

thetic and whole-nearted co-operation of

What Burleson Says.

Immediately after the receipt of the letter, Mr. Burleson, a member of the House Census Committee, who was the author of the provision making an appropriation for the gathering of the cotton statistics, gave cut an interview in which he upholds the director in the work now being done by his bureau. Mr. Burleson says: "I conquer in every word contained in

done by his bureau, Mr. Burleson says;
"I concur in every word contained in
this letter of Mr. North and feel that it
would be nothing short of a calamity if
the ginners should at any time fall to
furnish prompt and accurate reports to
the census bureau. To fall to report to
the census bureau will only play into the
hands of the cotton gamblers, and will
serve to promptly re-establish alleged statistical agents, who are now, thanks to
the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Agriculture, and the Census

the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Agriculture, and the Census Bureau, thoroughly discredited. If during next year, as a result of decreased acreage, and imperfect weather conditions, there should be a short crop which is not improbable, then the ginners' reports issued by the Census Bureau would again be in high favor by the cotton growers. What is wanted and what is really always fo the interest of the cotton grower is a prompt knowledge of the exact (ruth. "It is my purpose to prepare and of

Ginners Made No Report.

North's Explanation.

Dynamite in His Hand.

Purchase the Eddy Press.

the ginners of the South.

Director of Census Expresses Concern at Alleged Movement Throughout South. Defense.

### WRITES LETTER TO BURLESON

Congressman Responds by Vigor

Mrs. Chadwick has sent the following elegram to her husband, Dr. Lercy S. Chadwick, in care of Sheriff Barry, at delivered immediately upon the doctor's

Later, however, I may decide to talk on the subject."

President Getting Ready to Jar

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—
Postmaster-General Wynne, said to-day
that he would take up with the President

### JEALOUSY AND MURDER. Negro Kills the Girl He Was to Marry the Next Day.

Marry the Next Day,

'Social to The Times. Dispatch.)

TAZDVIPLL, VA. Dec. 29.—Minnio Thompson, colored, was killed in Procion to the process of the process

## KILLED MOTHER-IN-LAW: SHOT WIFE AND HIMSELF

Domestic Infelicity Cause of

## AUCTION SALES-This Day.

By The Valentine Auction Co., 612 E. Broad Street.

### Clearance Sale of Household Furniture for Parties Declining Housekeeping, To-Day, Friday, Dec. 30th, At Our Auction Warerooms,

COMMENCING AT 10:30 O'CLOCK, consisting of Oak and Walnut Chamber Bults and Wardrobes, Extension Tables, Centre Tables, Walnut Dining Chairs, Iron Beds, Parlor Suits, Mattresses, Blankets, Table Cloths, Pictures, Rugs, Druggets, Hat Racks, Chiffoniers, Couches, Folding Beds. Sowing Machines, Organa and Pianos, Carpets, Stayes, Iron Sate, etc. Bale positive. THE VALENTINE AUCTION CO.

No. 612 E. Broad Street,

AUCTION SALES, Future Days

T RUSTEE'S SALE OF VASUABLE LAND, SUSSEX COUNTY, VA. NEAR JARRATT AND STONY CREEK STATIONS.

lands of R. G. Grigg and w. N. salariasestate.

2. A certain tract of land containing
80 acres, more or less, lying on the west
side of Nottoway River, and bounded by
Nottoway River, the lands of G. S.
Field's estate, Richard Horns and the
Atlantic Coast Line Rallway. This tract
is about three miles south of Stony Creek
Station, and near the rallread bridge over
Nottoway River.

TERMS: One-third of purchase money
crit, the balance payable in equal in-

REAL ESTATE-For Rent.

### Four Story and Basement Brick Store House,

AT NORTHEAST CORNER CARY AND TENTH STS., suitable for any kind of wholesale or manufacturing business. Pos-session January 1, 1966. wholesale or manus.

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S. N. Eleventh, Street.

## RARE CHANCE.

STORE NO. 214 N. FIFTH STREET, in rear of Cliff Well's, corner Fifth and Broad. One of the most desirable locations in the city. \$350 per annum to quick tenant.

Dec 25-5t N. W. BOWE & SON.

STORE NO. 7 N. SEVENTEENTH ST. with six rooms and porcelain bath which has just been put in first-class repair.

JOHN T. GODDIN & CO.

Bank and Eleventh Streets. FINANCIAL.

5 PER CENT. MONEY

REAL ESTATE-

RENTS.
FOR PROMPT COLLECTIONS PROMPT STATEMENTS Place Your Property

McVEIGH & GLINN. Insure Your Property McVEIGH & GLINN.

# MEMPHIS, TENN., December 29.—The Memphis Oction Exchange has sent the following telegram to Census Director North, at Washington: "Many ginners in this district deny having made a report as to the amount of cotton ginned from November 34th to December 13th. Reliable reports from NEPHEW DIE IN FLAMES

Rushed Into Burning Building With Pails of Water and Never Returned.

"In making up your report what per cent, of cotton ginned was allowed these not reporting, and what per cent, of the total did not report? Please advise." Never Returned.

(By Associated Press.)

GENESEO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Three persons lost their lives in a fire which totally destroyed the farm residence of Charles McMillan at the head of Conesus Lake, enriy 10-day. The dead are: Charles McMillan, Lottis McMillan, his sister, and Frank McMillan, his nophew; Luliu McMillan, another sister, escaped. The cause of the fire has not been explained. The McMillans were among the prominent families of Livingston county.

The three McMillans lost their lives in an attempt to save the house from destruction. Aroused by the crackling of the fames, the family flee from the house in their night clothing, and awoke a farm hand who occupied a house a few rods away. He arrived on the scene just in time to see Charles, Frank and Charlotte rush into the burning building with palls of water. Luliu McMillan and Mary Dornan, a servant, were restrained by main force from following the others. The charred brdies of two of the victims were found in the ruins, it is supposed that the third body is in the debris. North's Explanation.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—Director North, of the Cotton Bureau, admitted to-day having received a telegram from the Memphis Cotton Exchange, staining that many ginners in that district dealed having made reports as to the amount of cotton ginned from November 14th to December 13th. He repiled as follows;

"Where information was refused in Shelby county the November returns were brought forward for December without estimates. Comparatively few instances throughout the bolt where creat information was not available."

In discussing the matter Director North said that for some unexplained reason a number of ginners refused to furnish information regarding the amount of cotton ginned during the period stated, and that, following the custom of the bureau under such circumstances, the returns for the preceding neriod were brought forward without estimates. The final report on the amount of cotton ginned to December 13th will be basued by the Census Bureau to-morrow and this report will include seventy-five countles, nor heard from or included in the report issued yesterday, Director North explained that as Memphis is in Shelby county, Tennessee, his reply to the Mepuphis Cotton Exchange referred specifically to it.

## FATAL ACCIDENT.

Evidences of Good Hunting in Upper Hanover.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

HYLAS. VA., Dec. 23.—Hen Harris (colored) was acotdentally silled has night by his own gun. Ben and some other colored boys were playing and he started to run with his gun on his shoulder, when he fell and the gun turned, went of and blew his head off.

Mr. J. M. Wiltishire has been quito successful hunting of late. He killed it hares, lot birds and a fine turkey for Christmas.

Mr. Peter Bawles is quite ill at his brothers, Mr. William Bowles.

Mr. Joe Tinsley is vory ill.

There will be a Christmas feast at Berea to-morrow.

# Dynamite in His Hand. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SALISBURY. N. C., December 20.—Mr. D. D. Ritche, of Richfield, Sianly county, was brought to Salisbury this morning for treatment for injuries sustained by the explosion of a close of dynamics. Mr. Richle, who the contribution of the county of the coun RICHMONDER EDITOR OF OFFICIAL ORGAN

(By Associated Press.)

MEMIPHIS, TENN., December 20—The Sigma Alpha Epstion Greek letter fraternity to-day elected general officers as follows:

Eminent supreme archon, William Collins Levers, Evanston, Ill.; honorary eminent supremis archon, Ill.; honorary eminent supremis archon, Judge John M. Record, official organ, H. Sydnor Harrison, Chicago; eminent supreme deputy archon, Marvin E. Holdderness, hashury archon, hash (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., Dec. 20.—A deal was closed this avening whereby Messrs.
Jenvey and Frederick, two wealthy men of Cumberland, Md., become cwaers of the Eddy Press, of Winchester, which made in assignment several months age for \$25,000. The now purchasers paid \$15,000 and agreed to assume certain lens on machinery now in use. The plant will continue and employ a large number of skilled workmen.

ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE

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(Approved December 2, 1904)

TO AMEND AND RECORDAIN SECTION

19 OF CHAPTER 24 OF RICHMOND
OTTY CODE. 1898 CONCERNING THE
OTTY CEMBTTERIES.
Be it ordained by the Council of the city
of Richmond!

That section 19 of chapter 24 of Richmond
That section 19 of chapter 24 of Richmond City Code, 1890, concerning the City
Cemeterles, be amended and reordained
so as to read as follows:

19. That bereafter no onclosure be allowed to be placed ground any section is
Oakwood or River View Cemeterless of
Shockoe Hill Eurying-Ground other than a
grante curbing, grancitine curbing, or
stone or gruncitine post with galvarised
iron rods, the post hot to exceed twentyfour inches in height and the rods not to
be less than two inches in diameter, in
any part of the said cemeteries or burying-ground.

When any of the wood fences, or chain
fences with wooden posts, now strinding
come to be in a dilapidated condition,
either from decay or want of part, so
that it becomes an eyesore and musance
the owner of said enclosure shall be not,
fied that if the fence is not put in good

## AN ORDINANCE

BEN T. AUGUST, City Clerk.

## AN ORDINANCE

Be it ordained by the Country of Richmond:

It That it shall be unlawful for any person to lotter in or about the market houses market, or any police officer of the city of Richmond, and any person who shall so lotter about such houses or places or relies to depart therefrom, or cease see to lotter when ordered by the olerk of the market, or any police officer of the lity of Richmond, shall be liable to a fine of not less than two dollars nor more than issued large for each offense. The same to be recoverable before the Police Justice of the city of Richmond.

2. This ordinance shall be in force from its passage.

## SPECIAL INTERESTING SALE. All Prices Cut in Half.

its passage, BEN T. AUGUST, City Clerk.

Dec 27-5t

We have closed out the entire stock of Ladles' Tallored Suite and Cravanotte Coate from a leading factory of New York, and this purchase will save you 50c. on the

Ladies' Suits, former price \$20. now \$10.00. Ladles' Suits, former price \$25,

now \$12.50, Ladies' Sults, former price \$30, now \$15.00 Ladles' Suits, former price \$40,

## new #20.00. WEINBERG-BROS.,

11 West Broad Street.